

REMARKS

Claims 10-23 and 25 are pending in this application and under consideration. Claim 24 has been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. This amendment is believed to place the application in condition for allowance, and entry thereof is respectfully requested. In the alternative, entry of this amendment is requested as placing the application in better condition for appeal by, at least, reducing the number of issues outstanding. Further reconsideration is requested based on the foregoing amendment and the following remarks.

Allowable Subject Matter:

The allowance of claims 10-23 and 25 is acknowledged with appreciation.

Conclusion:

Accordingly, in view of the reasons given above, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Allowance of all claims 10-23 and 25 and of this entire application is therefore respectfully requested.

If there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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